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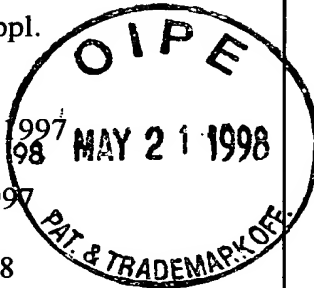
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with Anaesthetic Effect**



PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Assistant Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

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In advance of prosecution, please amend the above-captioned application as follows:

In the Claims

Please delete claims 13-16.

Please rewrite claim 3 as follows:

3(once amended): A pharmaceutical composition according to claim 1 [or 2], wherein [the amount of the local anaesthetic or mixture thereof] said one or more local anaesthetics [is] are present in an amount of 0.5-20% by weight based on the total weight of the composition.

Please rewrite claim 4 as follows:

4(once amended): A pharmaceutical composition according to claim 3, wherein [the amount of local anaesthetic or mixture of] said one or more local anaesthetics [being] are present in an amount of 2-7% by weight based on the total weight of the composition.

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